

REMARKS

In this preliminary amendment claims 1-36 have been canceled. Claims 37-49 have been added, thus claims 37-49 are pending in this application. It is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance, and a notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account 10-0440, or to credit any overpayment to the same. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

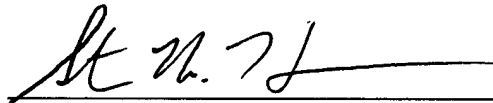
Should there be any questions regarding this application, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the phone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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